Taunton, 9th. Feb. 1788.

WHEREAS on *Friday*, the 8*th.* inſtant, between the Hours of Seven and Eight o'Clock in the Evening, TWO RUFFIANS in ſhort Waiſtcoats, cloſe Shirt Sleeves, and with their Faces and Hands blacked, ruſhed into the Dwelling-Houſe of SIR WILLIAM YEA, BART. at *PYRLAND*, near *TAUNTON*, in Somerſetſhire, and with their Bludgeons, firſt knocked down Sir William's Son, and then Sir William: After a ſevere and bloody conflict, in which Sir William and his Son were both ſeverely wounded, the Villains made off, without any Booty, leaving a Horſe Piſtol, an old jean Waiſtcoat, two Hats, (one of them a new one with a buckle and velvet band, and marked R in the inſide; the other an old Hat, large in the head, with a narrow brim bound round,) and alſo a dozen Cords, behind them.

One of the Villains appeared to be about Six Feet in height, and very ſtout withal; the other not ſo ſtout, and had his Hair tied behind.

In order to diſcover and bring the Offenders to juſtice, Sir WILLIAM YEA offers a Reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, to be paid on conviction.

WILL: YEA.

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